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The major estimates in NIE 30-57 remain valid and the background information in the paper provides valuable support for SNIE 30-5-58. Recent developments in the UK and in the Persian Gulf-Arabian Peninsula area suggest that (a) slightly less emphasis should now be given to the UK's willingness to use force to preserve its position in the area, and (b) the potency of radical Arab nationalism in other parts of the Middle East as a threat to the British position in the Persian Gulf-Arabian Peninsula area has increased. In addition, the estimate failed to anticipate the continuation and wider implications of the revolt in Inner Oman and may have been generally slightly optimistic about British capabilities for maintaining internal security throughout the areas.

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